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Penny Woods Project Manager Bureau of Land Management P.O. Box 12000 Reno, Nevada 89520-0006 9:00 SEP 2 9 2011

Dear Ms. Woods:

I would like to express my support for the Southern Nevada Water Authority's applications for rights-of-way in Eastern Nevada.

The water resources currently available in Spring, Cave, Delamar and Dry Lake Valleys are essential to the future of the thousands of households that Bank of America serves in Nevada, including Clark, Lincoln and White Pine counties. However, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the potential impacts to Sothern Nevada should the project not move forward.

Nearly two million southern Nevadan residents, including the businesses and community resources we depend on, require a consistent and secure water supply. Economic stability and regional progress are linked to available water resources. As our desert community looks toward a bright future, our prosperity is defined by the water available to us.

Therefore, I encourage the Bureau of Land Management to approve the proposed action as the preferred alternative for the Groundwater Development Project.

Sincerely,

Steve McCracken Senior Vice President

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